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SUBJECT: DHEW:OE FY 76 DOCTORAL DISSERTATION RESEARCH

ABROAD PROGROAM - - -

REF: BELGRADE 5936

1. DHEW:OE REGRETS ASSUMPTIONS MADE BY POST RE HOWE  
CASE. CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS BELOW MAY CLARIFY SITUATION.

2. MAY 7, 1976 OE INFORMED HOWE FAISECTC APPROVAL  
REQUIRED PRIOR DEPARTURE US IF SHE IS TO USE GRANT FUNDS.  
DEPARTURE WOULD BE AUTHORIZED ONLY AFTER POST INFORMED  
OE OF FAISECTC APPROVAL OF PROJECT.

3. JUNE, 1976 IREX AND OE DECIDED THAT IREX WOULD PAY  
HOWE'S TRAVEL TO YUGOSLAVIA ENABLING HOWE TO ATTEND  
OE LANGUAGE PROGRAM. IREX PROVIDED DOLS 1500 FOR  
ROUND-TRIP TICKET BECAUSE FAISECTC APPROVAL NOT CERTAIN  
AND OE COULD NOT PROVIDE TRAVEL WITHOUT GOY APPROVAL.

4. JULY 2, 1976 UNIV. OF MICHIGAN REQUESTED RETROACTIVE  
TRAVEL APPROVAL FOR HOWE, STATING HOWE HAD TO LEAVE  
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PRIOR TO EFFECTIVE DATE OF AWARD (JULY 1, 1976) TO

ATTEND LANGUAGE PROGRAM.

5. JULY 9, 1976 POST INFORMED OE (BELGRADE 4509)  
THAT HOWE COULD BEGIN WORK OCTOBER 1, 1976.

6. JULY 26, 1976 OE COULD NOT APPROVE JULY 2, REQUEST  
FOR TRAVEL ON OE FUNDS BECAUSE APPROVAL CAN ONLY BE  
GIVEN PRIOR TO DEPARTURE. MOREOVER COST INCURRED  
PRIOR TO INCEPTION DATE OF AWARD CANNOT BE CHARGED TO  
GRANT AGREEMENT.

7. SEPTEMBER 15, 1976 OE INSTRUCTED UNIV. OF MICHIGAN  
CONTACT HOWE AND DETERMINE WHETHER SHE WISHED MODIFY  
HER CURRENT ITINERARY, WHICH AUTHORIZES RESEARCH IN  
OTHER COUNTRIES PRIOR TO RESEARCH IN YUGOSLAVIA, TO  
AN ITINERARY WHICH WOULD AUTHORIZE RESEARCH IN THOSE  
COUNTRIES AFTER HER RESEARCH IN YUGOSLAVIA HAS BEEN  
COMPLETED AND THAT HOWE SHOULD BE INSTRUCTED TO  
REQUEST GTR AUTHORIZING RETURN TRAVEL AT LEAST 60 DAYS  
PRIOR TO HER DEPARTURE FROM YUGOSLAVIA. THE  
CURRENT ITINERARY IN THE GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN DHEW:OE  
AND THE UNIV. OF MICHIGAN REFLECTS THE ITINERARY SUB-  
MITTED WITH HER ORIGINAL PROPOSAL, WHICH DID NOT  
MENTION LANGUAGE TRAINING AT ALL.

8. OTHER SPECIFIC REGULATIONS MAY BE OF INTEREST  
RE PARTICULAR CASE. DHEW:OE FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS ARE  
NOT ENTITLED TO RECEIVE GRANT BENEFITS UNTIL HOST  
COUNTRY APPROVAL HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND CONDITIONS OF  
THAT APPROVAL HAVE BEEN MET. STUDENTS TRAVELING ON  
GTR NOT RPT NOT ENTITLED CONVERT EXCESS BAGGAGE  
ALLOWANCE TO AIR CARGO.

9. HOWE FAILED TO KEEP GRANTEE INSTITUTION AND OE  
FULLY INFORMED RE TRAVEL PLANS. CONSEQUENTLY, UNIV.  
OF MICHIGAN UNABLE TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON GRANT  
BENEFITS.

10. IREX INFORMS OE THAT HOWE MAY CONVERT RETURN  
TICKET TO CASH AND APPLY APPROXIMATELY DOLS 250 FOR  
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SHIPMENT OF BELONGINGS FROM U.S. TO YUGOSLAVIA.  
REMAINDER TO BE RETURNED TO IREX.

11. HOWE'S STATUS AS FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR BECOMES  
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 1976.

12. OTHER OE SCHOLARS YUGOSLAVIA HAVE COMPLIED WITH  
REGULATIONS. PLEASE BE ASSURED THAT ALL GRANTEES

TREATED EQUALLY ACCORDING TO THOSE REGULATIONS. ROBINSON

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